



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MUNIYAPLA ESWARAPPA

Application No.: 09/892,765

Filed: June 28, 2001

For: FILTER CARTRIDGE PLATFORM
AND FILTER CARTRIDGE FOR
USE ON THE PLATFORM

Examiner: J. Greene

Group Art Unit: 1724

October 29, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 29, 2003 for an additional 1 month from September 29, 2003 to October 29, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 265 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

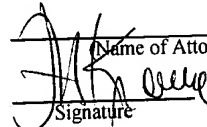
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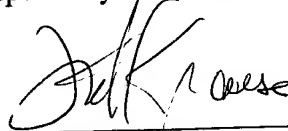
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October 29, 2003
Date of Signature

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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